

February 16, 2011

Scott B. Mackenzie, Treasurer Freedom's Defense Fund P.O. Box 96396 Washington, DC 20090-6396

Response Due Date: March 23, 2011

Identification Number: C00401786

Reference:

12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/10-10/13/10)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 2 items:

- 1. Schedule E for Line 24 of your report discloses MEMO entries for apparent independent expenditures made on behalf of "Anna C. Little" during this reporting period. However, a Schedule D supporting Line 10 has not been provided. Please be advised that if a communication is aired in one reporting period and the payment is made in a later reporting period, the independent expenditure should be reported as a memo entry on Schedule E when the communication is publicly disseminated or distributed, and on a Schedule D if it is a reportable debt under 11 CFR §104.11. Subsequently, when the payment for the independent expenditure is made, the report should show a payment on Schedule E and the same payment on Schedule D, if applicable. Please amend your report to clarify this apparent discrepancy.
- 2. Itemized independent expenditures must include a brief statement or description of why the expenditures were made. Please amend Schedule E of your report to clarify the following description: "Voter Contact-Subcontract to Red Cap." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).
- -Please clarify all expenditures made for "Consulting-Fundraising" on Schedule B. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf

of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedules B or E supporting Lines 23 or 24 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1

-Schedule B discloses expenditures for "Direct Mail-Postage," "Direct Mail-Printing," and "Direct Mail-Mailshop." If a portion or all of these expenditures were for public communications (as defined by 11 CFR §100.26) or voter drive activity (under 11 CFR §106.6(b)(2)(i)) containing express advocacy as defined under 11 CFR §100.22, this would constitute an in-kind contribution or an independent expenditure and should be properly disclosed on a Schedule B or E supporting Line 23 or 24 as appropriate. Public communications and voter drive activity that refer to a clearly identified Federal candidate, but that do not expressly advocate the election or defeat of that candidate should be reported on Schedule B for Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. Please clarify whether this activity contained express advocacy and amend your report to properly disclose this activity, if necessary.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Aot may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1173.

Campaign Finance Analyst Reports Analysis Division

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Missing Schedule D for MEMO Entry on Schedule E

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			Voter Contact –	
FLS Connect	10/6/2010	\$3,912.20	Subcontract to Red Cap	Anna C. Little